6th Annual Friends of Heinz Refuge Photo Contest

The Friends of the Heinz Refuge announces its 6th Annual Photography Contest. Images may be of any **nature subject**, from any location including landscapes, wildlife, wildflowers, people enjoying nature, and the refuge.

All entries will be displayed at the refuge and will be featured at the Cradle of Birding Festival on September 16, 2006. Prizes will be announced at the award ceremony at 1pm in the refuge auditorium.

Drop off entries at the John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge. The deadline for entries is **August 26, 2006**. Make checks payable to "FOHR Tinicum" by. Late, damaged or previously submitted photographs will not be accepted. All cash prizes must be claimed at the Refuge by October 30, 2005.

Proceeds will benefit FOHR for Refuge projects. FOHR is a nonprofit, tax exempt, 501 (c)(3) association founded in 1997 to assist the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in carrying out its educational, interpretive and public use missions.

Attach this form (or a copy) to the back of each print submitted. Do not staple. Please print:

Name:	Phone:	
Address:		_
Email:		
Image Title:		
Species (if possible):		
Age: (children & teens)		
Parent/Guardian Signature:		
Fee enclosed: \$ (teens & adults)		

*****See reverse for important submission details.****

Rules, Categories, Entry fees and prizes:

Only color and black and white **PRINTS**, including unaltered prints from digital files, will be accepted. Judges may reject any print that shows evidence of extreme manipulation.. All images should have a title. **All teen and adult submissions must be matted and no smaller than 8 x 10°**. Images will be judged for technique, interest and composition The decision of the judges is final. If possible, species identification is preferred of any plants and/or animals depicted in the images.

1) Ages 12 and younger – no entry fee. Submissions – 4"x 6" (min. size) to 8"x 10" (max. size) prints, matted or unmatted 1st prize - \$ 25 .00 gift certificate to Tinicum Treasures Store 2nd prize - \$ 15 .00 gift certificate to Tinicum Treasures Store 3rd prize - \$ 10 .00 gift certificate to Tinicum Treasures Store

2) Ages 13 to 18– entry fee - \$2.00 per print. Submissions – 8"x10" (min. size) prints, **must be matted.** 1st prize - \$75.00 2nd prize - \$50.00 3rd prize - \$25.00

3) Adults - entry fee - \$3.00 per print. Submissions - 8"x10" (min. size) prints, **must be matted** 1st prize - \$100.00 2nd prize - \$50.00 3rd prize - \$25.00

All winning photographs will be displayed at the Refuge. Submission of a photograph represents consent to the FOHR Photo Group to display and use photograph, and consent to use the photographer's name and likeness for publicity purposes in newsletters, news releases and publications. The image must be an original work of the entrant. The Photographer retains all rights to their images.

Non-winning entries can be picked up after the awards ceremony on September 16, 2006. Prints will not be returned by mail. All photos not claimed by October 30, 2006 become the property of the FOHR Photo Group.

Employees of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife service, The Friends Of Heinz Refuge (FOHR) and other volunteers are neither liable for injuries to any person nor responsible for any damage or loss of property. Utmost care will be taken with the entries; however, the FOHR Photo Group is not responsible for damage or loss.

Questions? Call 215/365 3118.

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